

Serves: Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Clay, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, Surry, Swain, Wilkes and Yadkin counties

Amount Funded by ARC: \$43,853 of \$131,560 total cost

Project Description: This grant provides training and expert assistance to government officials in developing long-term asset management plans. As a direct result of this grant, 15 officials will be trained and five Appalachian communities will develop asset management plans.

Project 17: Route 21 Water Pump Station

Applicant: Town of Sparta

Serves: Alleghany County

Amount Funded by ARC: \$66,500 of \$256,500 total cost

Project Description: This project will allow Alleghany County to better manage its water supply by installing a booster pump station, allowing commercial manufactures to improve production and retain 264 jobs.

Project 18: Spring Creek Literacy Project

Applicant: Duke University

Serves: Madison County

Amount Funded by ARC: \$100,000 of \$130,000 total cost

Project Description: This grant funds a six-week literacy program that will enrich the lives and learning of Appalachian girls. Girls will be allowed to attend the camp for four straight summers. The first camp will start this summer with a class of 14 sixth-grade girls, and a new class of 14 will join the program each year. Eight Duke undergraduates will lead this camp.

Project 19: Interstates Water and Sewer District Economic Development Project

Applicant: Surry County

Serves: Surry County

Amount Funded by ARC: \$300,000 of \$5,027,000 total cost